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SUMMARY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

PERIOD 280701 - 280700 OCTOBER 1962

I. CUBAN SITUATION

a. OPERATIONAL

(1) JCS ADVISED CINCLANT, CINCONAD AND CINCSAC THAT THE LATEST SOVIET PROPOSAL MAY BE AN INSINCERE PROPOSAL TO GAIN TIME. HENCE, THERE SHOULD BE NO RELAXATION OF ALERT PROCEDURES.

JCS 281556Z (TS)

(2) JCS HAS INFORMED CINCLANT OF SECDEF'S DESIRE TO PREVENT ALFA 66 OPERATIONS AGAINST CUBA AT THIS TIME.

JCS 282217Z (S)

(3) JCS REQUESTS CINCLANT RE-EVALUATE OPLAN 316 IN VIEW OF RECENT INTELLIGENCE ON TYPES, QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT IN CUBA IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHAT MODIFICATION, IF ANY SHOULD BE MADE. THE RE-EVALUATION IS TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS (AIR AND GROUND) SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE ARSENAL OF OUR INVASION AND SUPPORTING FORCES.

JCS 281607Z (TS)

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(4) CG FMFLANT REPORTS TO CMC THAT CERTAIN REQUESTED AERIAL PHOTO MISSIONS HAVE BEEN EXECUTED BUT DELAYS ARE BEING ENCOUNTERED THAT PREVENT DELIVERY OF PRINTS TO FMFLANT HEADQUARTERS. CMC IS REQUESTED TO ASSIST IN REDUCING, IF POSSIBLE, THE BOTTLENECK THAT EXISTS.

CG FMFLANT STATES THAT HIGHER PRIORITIES IMPOSED AT NATIONAL LEVEL APPEAR TO HAVE AFFECTED COMPLETION OF PHOTO COVERAGE REQUESTED BY FMFLANT HEADQUARTERS.

CG FMFLANT 281620Z (C)

(5) CMC HAS ADVISED CG FMFLANT THAT BLT 2/22 (MINUS CO. G) CONTINUES INTENSIVE TRAINING AT QUANTICO FOR POSSIBLE AUGMENTATION OF 2D MARDIV. THE DECISION TO SHIFT OPCON WILL BE KEPT CONSTANTLY UNDER REVIEW.

CMC 281745Z (S)

(6) CHIEF OF STAFF AIR FORCE HAS ADVISED TAC (TACTICAL AIR COMMAND) THAT PERSONNEL OF THE RECALLED RESERVE TROOP CARRIER UNITS ARE NOT TO BE RELOCATED FROM HOME STATIONS AT THIS TIME. THIS DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE USE OF RESERVE AIRCRAFT ON AIR LIFT MISSIONS.

(7) JCS HAS DIRECTED CINCLANT TO TAKE NO FORCEFUL ACTIONS AGAINST ANY SHIPPING INCLUDING BOARDING UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS ARE RECEIVED. IF ANY DIFFICULTIES ARE ENCOUNTERED CINCLANTFLT IS TO BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY WITH INFO TO JCS/CNO PRIOR TO TAKING FURTHER ACTION.

JCS 281720Z (U)

JCS 281812Z (U)

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(8) A JCS MESSAGE TO CINCSRIKE, COMATS AND INTERESTED AGENCIES LISTS ARMY AND AIR FORCE UNITS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED BY JCS AS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR DEPLOYMENT TO EUROPE AS REINFORCEMENT FOR THAT THEATER. FORCES LISTED ARE THOSE OVER AND ABOVE THOSE REQUIRED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF CINCLANT OPLANS 312, 314 AND 316.

JCS DESIRES THAT PLANS FOR DEPLOYMENT OF THESE UNITS BE MAINTAINED IN READINESS FOR EXECUTION. IT IS REALIZED THAT A DEGREE OF MOBILIZATION WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ALL THE FORCES LISTED.

JCS 282006Z (TS)

(9) CINCLANT SITREP OF 281200Z REPORTS THAT VMA-333 AND PUERTO RICAN AIR NATIONAL GUARD (18F-86) ARE ON STRIP ALERT AT ROOS ROADS.

CINCLANT 281326Z (TS)

(10) CG AIRFMFPAC REPORTS AS FOLLOWS TO CG FMFPAC RELATIVE TO GV AIRCRAFT FOR CINCLANT:

AS A RESULT OF REQUEST CONTAINED IN CG FMFLANT MESSAGE 221550Z, 6 GV AIRCRAFT PLUS 4 EXTRA CREWS WERE PROVIDED TO CINCLANT. AN ADDITIONAL 26-MAN MAINTENANCE DETACHMENT WAS SENT TO CHERRY POINT ON 25 OCTOBER.

NO DIRECTIVE HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO PASS OPCON OF THE GV DETACHMENT TO LANT COMMANDS. CG AIRFMFPAC RECOMMENDS THAT OPCON AND FUNDING RESPONSIBILITIES BE FORMALLY PASSED TO CG FMFLANT.

CG AIRFMFPAC 282138Z (C)

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(II) CINCLANT [REDACTED] REPORT AS OF 281200Z REPORTS THAT CG FMFLANTS REQUEST FOR 8 GV AIRCRAFT FROM PACOM IS UNDER STUDY.

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b. LOGISTICS

(I) IN A MESSAGE TO CINCLANTFLT, CG FMFLANT EXPRESSES CONCERN RELATIVE TO THE SHORTAGE OF CLASS 5A TO SUPPORT OPLANS 312/316. CLOUD FIRST AND SECOND RESUPPLY MUST BE IMMEDIATELY FILLED IN ORDER TO SUSTAIN COMBAT OPERATIONS.

CONVENTIONAL CLASS 5A DEFICIENCIES ADVERSELY AFFECT GENERAL WAR POSTURE AND ARE OF GRAVE CONCERN.

CG FMFLANT 281805Z (S)

(2) CINCLANT SITREP AS OF 272400Z REPORTS THAT CURRENT CVA AND AE OUTLOADING AND CLOUD STOCK POSITIONING WILL DEplete EAST COAST AMMO STOCKS. REPLINISHMENT MAY REQUIRE MOVEMENT OF PACIFIC FLEET WEST COAST RESOURCES.

CINCLANT 280400Z (TS)

(3) BUWEPs DIRECTED NSD MECHANICSBURG TO SHIP 2 (TWO) COMPLETE SETS OF TAFDS (TACTICAL AIRCRAFT FUEL DISPENSING SYSTEM) WITH MODIFICATION KITS TO MCAS BEAUFORT AS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED BY CG 2D MAW.

BUWEPs 281616Z (C)

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(4) CHIEF, SIGNAL OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF ARMY HAS REQUESTED LOAN OF SIX (6) AN/TSC-15 RADIO SETS FROM USMC. SETS ARE REQUIRED ON OR ABOUT 30 OCTOBER. USMC SETS NOW AT COLLINS RADIO CO. WILL SATISFY THE REQUIREMENT IF OTHER SETS ARE NOT AVAILABLE. IF LOAN IS APPROVED, SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE PROVIDED DIRECT TO COLLINS RADIO COMPANY.

OCISGO DA WASH DC 280345Z (C)

e. PERSONNEL

(1) COMMANDER JOINT UNCONVENTIONAL WARFARE TASK FORCE, ATLANTIC (COMJUWTF) AT FORT BRAGG REQUESTS OF CINCLANT THAT A USMC LIAISON OFFICER BE ASSIGNED TO HIS COMMAND ASAP TO SERVE IN THE JUWTF LIAISON GROUP TO CINCLANT (AFLOAT) FOR EXECUTION OF OPLAN 316-62. LTCOL ERIC HOLMGRIN ASSIGNED TO MCS, QUANTICO IS RECOMMENDED BY COMJUWTF FOR THE ASSIGNMENT.

COMJUWTF 280815Z (S)

(2) CG FMFLANT HAS INFORMED BUMED OF A CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND REQUESTED THAT PERSONNEL AUGMENTATION FOR THE HOSPITAL COMPANY BE DIRECTED TO REPORT TO CG FORTRPS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

CG FMFLANT 260045Z (C)

(3) MASS-I HAS REQUESTED CMC AUTHORITY TO ISSUE ORDERS TO A CIVILIAN TECH REPRESENTATIVE (PHILCO) TO ACCOMPANY MASS-I ON DEPLOYMENT.

MASS-I 272220Z (C)

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(1) CINCLANT [REDACTED] REPORT AS OF 272400Z STATES THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS OF A CHANGE IN ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF CUBAN SENTRIES AT GTMO'S NORTHEAST GATE. SEARCH PROCEDURES OF BASE WORKERS HAS BEEN RELAXED AND THEY ARE NOT BEING SUBJECTED TO ABUSE. ANOTHER RELIABLE REPORT STATES THAT MILITIAMEN IN GUANTANAMO CITY AND CAIMANERA ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED TO RETAIN THEIR WEAPONS IN THEIR HOMES.

CINCLANT 280128Z (S)

(2) CINCLANT CONSIDERS THAT IT WILL BE IMPRACTICAL TO COVER THE 5TH MEB MOVEMENT AFTER THE CANAL ZONE IS REACHED. A SUGGESTED PRESS RELEASE IS SUBMITTED.

CINCLANT 281420Z (S)

(3) SECRETARY OF STATE HAS INFORMED CINCLANT OF OFFERS TO ASSIST U. S. QUARANTINE OF CUBA. ASSISTANCE IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER HAS BEEN OFFERED BY ARGENTINA, COSTA RICA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, HAITI, HONDURAS, PANAMA AND COLOMBIA.

SEC STATE 270210Z (S)

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STAFF INPUT

(1) G-4/SUPPLY

(a) RESUPPLY ARRANGEMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

FOR 5TH MEB: (a) CLASSES I, III AND V FROM

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CLOUD STOCKS. MCSC ALBANY WILL ALSO BE SOURCE OF RESUPPLY OF CLASS II TRACKED AND WHEELED VEHICLES BEING SPECIFIED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS (THIS TO REDUCE SHIPPING COSTS). (b) CLASS II AND IV FROM STORM STOCKS (EXCEPT TRACKED AND WHEELED VEHICLES AS NOTED ABOVE). MCSC BARSTOW HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO IMMEDIATELY PACK BUT NOT SHIP FIRST RESUPPLY. THIS NECESSARY TO INSURE ABILITY TO MEET TIME SCHEDULE FOR DELIVERY RESUPPLY IN OBJECTIVE AREA. CMC WILL SPECIFY DATE OF RAIL SHIPMENT FROM BARSTOW.

FOR 3D LAAM BN; FMFPAC AND MCSC BARSTOW ARE COMPLETING PREPARATION OF MACHINABLE LISTING OF 30 DAY RESUPPLY FOR 3D LAAM BATTALION FOR USE WHEN NEEDED. NO PACKING OR SHIPPING IS REQUIRED AS YET.

II MEF (WESTERN LANDING GROUP); REVIEW OF SCHEDULE FOR RESUPPLY INDICATES PACKING OF RESUPPLY BY MCSC ALBANY CAN SAFELY WAIT UNTIL "S" DAY.

G-4 REPRESENTATIVE

2. MOVEMENTS

a. MAJOR GENERAL BUSE, CG, THIRD MARDIV, AND MAJOR GENERAL LEEK, CG, FIRST MAW DEPARTED IWAKUNI 280133Z FOR NAS, ATSUGI TO ATTEND THE SEVENTH FLEET SCHEDULING CONFERENCE. ETA 280353Z.

NAS IWAKUNI 280150Z (U)

b. MACS-6 AND MABS-II ARRIVED IWAKUNI 27 OCTOBER ENROUTE FROM OKINAWA TO ATSUGI. ETD IWAKUNI 280100Z. ETA YOKOSUKA 300700Z.

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DEFCONS

a. NO CHANGE.

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